

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventor: Masahiro OSHIKIRI Art Unit 2626
Appln. No.: 10/573,812 Exr. D. Abebe
Filed: March 28, 2006 Conf. No. 7680
For: SAMPLING RATE CONVERSION APPARATUS, CODING APPARATUS, DECODING APPARATUS AND METHODS THEREOF

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A telephone interview was conducted on July 21, 2009, between Examiner Adebe, David Ward, Reg. No. 45198, and the undersigned.

During the interview, the pending 35 USC 101 rejections were discussed in light of *In re Bilski*.

During the interview, the Examiner confirmed that the amendments filed concurrently herewith would overcome the 35 USC 101 rejections as the amendments sufficiently tie the claims to apparatus and overcome any possible interpretation that the claims cover an entirely software embodiment.

It is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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